US 160 in East of Monte Vista

What Work is Being Done?

Crews have completed work on ADA ramps and the center median that supports the RRFB Pedestrian Crosswalk System at Lyell Street in Monte Vista. Designed by Federal Highway Administration, the Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) is marked crosswalk or pedestrian warning sign that improves safety for pedestrians crossing the road. This system is used in high traffic areas where visibility may not be sufficient for drivers to visibly locate crossing locations so they can yield to pedestrians. To enhance pedestrian conspicuity and increase driver awareness at uncontrolled, marked crosswalks, transportation agencies install a pedestrian actuated Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) to accompany a pedestrian warning sign. RRFBs consist of two, rectangular- shaped yellow indications, each with a light-emitting diode (LED)-array-based light source.RRFBs flash with an alternating high frequency when activated to enhance conspicuity of pedestrians at the crossing to drivers. This portion of the project will be completed once the electrical components arrive.

This week crews will continue work to upgrade curb and ADA ramps and sidewalks at various locations along US 160 in Alamosa. The work will begin at the Walmart intersection of US highway 160 and Cielo Azul and continue to other sites throughout Alamosa. A 12-foot width restriction is in place for oversize loads from Monday thru Friday, 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Speed reductions down to 25 mph can be expected as motorists come into project work areas. Flagging Personnel will be onsite due to alternating single lane closures. Expect up to 10 minute traffic delays. These closures and delays of US 160 will be in effect between April, 2022 and July 2022.



The Colorado Department of Transportation announces a temporary closure of US 160 in Monte Vista while crews repair a railroad crossing near the intersection of Second street and US Highway 160. The three-day closure will begin on Monday June 13th and continue through Wednesday, June 16th. Traffic will be detoured south on North Broadway Ave (CO 15) at the intersection of US160 and US 285. Motorists will travel south to 6th Steet where they will head west to Henderson and then travel north to US Highway 160.



Why is the work being completed?

The project will ensure that current federal standards, with the Americans with Disabilities Act, are met and maintained for enhanced accessibility and pedestrian safety. "Improving the sidewalks and curb access will benefit Monte Vista's business district and multimodal needs," said Julie Constan, the Regional Transportation Director for southwest Colorado. "Complying with ADA standards will make certain all members of the community—whether on foot, wheelchair or bicycle—can easily and readily use highway crossings and intersection crosswalks."

Travel Impacts

- Alternating single lane closures on US 160 in the Town of Monte Vista and on CO 15 as crews form and pour the ADA upgrades.
- Width restrictions of 12 feet will be in place Monday thru Friday, 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM within the project boundary.
- Flagging personnel be on sight to direct travelers as the speed limit will be reduced to 25 mph while working in in town during daylight hours.

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